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## **BGSB** University to be a part of Mission Program on Rare Genetic Disorders

Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University, Rajouri will be a participating institute in 'Mission Program on Rare Genetic Disorders'. Dr. Raja Amir Hassan Kuchay, Assistant Professor of Biotechnology at BGSBU has been selected as one of principal investigators in this mission programme. The apex committee of DBT, New Delhi has approved this proposal with a proposed budget of about one crore and eleven lacs for BGSBU.

The mission program is being coordinated by Centre for DNA Fingerprinting (CDFD), Hydrabad with institutes like AIIMS, New Delhi being a part of it. This mission will provide impetus to better understanding of rare genetic disorders in India. Genetic testing for rare disorders is almost negligible in areas adjoining Pir Panchal (especially the tribal communities) and this proposal is expected to be very beneficial for regions of Rajouri and Poonch. Implementation of this project is expected to open new avenues of genetic testing and genetic counselling to these regions. This project is expected to significantly contribute towards better molecular understanding and therapeutics interventions for rare genetic disorders.

Prof. Akbar Masood, Vice Chancellor Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University Congratulated Dr. Amir for bagging the prestigious research grant. Prof. Akbar said that he hopes the research work by Dr. Raja Amir will not only be beneficial to the University only but to the society and the nation as a whole as well.

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